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Ms. Irene Stillings
Executive Director
San Diego Regional Energy Office
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Dear Ms. Stillings:

Addressing regional energy issues is critical to the business community in East County and the economic stability of the region. The San Diego Regional Energy Infrastructure Study is a useful tool in the continuous resource planning efforts and the on-going discussion of how to meet the region's growing energy needs. The report reaffirms the assessment of most energy industry participants that the region needs more energy infrastructure in the future. The San Diego East County Chamber of Commerce strongly urges you to support this urgently needed infrastructure project.

I hope that you will include this letter in your record. The San Diego East County Chamber of Commerce would like to join business organizations, labor organizations, and cities throughout the region in support of the Valley Rainbow Interconnect. At the San Diego East County Chamber of Commerce, planning for our region's energy future is essential.

Regards,

Terry Saverson
President/CEO
San Diego East County Chamber of Commerce